

## HEARD BELL IN HIS CABIN

Remarkable Incident Reported by  
Steamer Wilhelmina's Officer.

## SHIP NOT EQUIPPED WITH SIGNALS

Yet Submarine Fog Bell on Tail of  
the Horseshoe Lightship Was Dis-  
tinctly Heard on Board Vessel Two  
Miles Away—Shipping Notes.

Chief Officer F. McKeige, Jr., of the Bull Line steamer Wilhelmina, which sailed from this port on February 19, 1900, atmosphere smoky, and range of visibility about three miles, I was in the cabin, which is aft and below the main deck, and the floor of which is level with the water line or a few inches below, when I heard the submarine fog bell on tail of the Horseshoe lightship, going on deck I heard the fog whistle on the lightship. Descending to the foot of the companionway, I heard the bell, apparently in my room near the floor, which is on the port side, and at the same time the sound of the whistle. At 5:50 p. m., we passed the lightship one eighth to one quarter mile off, at an eight knot speed, and heard the bell until two miles off.

The above report is regarded by shipping men as proof of the value of the submarine signaling apparatus in thick weather in preventing collisions at sea, as the signal was heard even though the Wilhelmina was not equipped with the receiving apparatus.

## SHIPPING REPORT

Tuesday, February 24, 1900.

Steamer Grantley (Br.), Henderson, Tampa—To White Oak Coal Company for bunker coal.  
Steamer Tjomo (Nor.), Danielson, New York—To Chesapeake & Ohio Coal Agency Company for cargo.  
Steamer Yearby (Br.), Johnson, Tampa—To White Oak Coal Company for bunker coal.  
Steamer Troutpool (Br.), Goldworthy, Tampa—To White Oak Coal Company for bunker coal.

## Sailed.

Steamers Grantley (Br.), Henderson, Alcanli, Spain; Westonly (Br.), Burnitt, Liverpool; Yearby (Br.), Johnson, Helsingborg; Troutpool (Br.), Goldworthy, Stettin; Oberon (Br.), Matthews, Manchester and Barrow; Margaretha Russ (Ger.), Kalia, Havana.  
Barges E. B. Sutton, Providence; H. A. Wyman, Providence.

## Marine Notes.

The tug Covington, of the Seaboard Transportation Company's fleet, went to the shipyard yesterday morning for minor repairs to machinery.

The German steamship Margaretha Russ cleared yesterday with 2,950 tons of coal for Havana, Cuba, valued at \$8,260, consigned from the Berwind-White Coal Mining Company.

The Spanish steamer Niceto is in port loading a cargo of canal coal for South American ports.

## Calendar for Today.

Sun rises 6:42 a. m.  
Sun sets 6:55 p. m.  
High water 12:04 a. m.; 12:32 p. m.  
Low water 6:32 a. m.; 6:47 p. m.

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## BUSY DAY AT CUSTOM HOUSE.

Six Vessels Enter and Six File Clearance Papers.

Business was rather brisk in the shipping line at the local custom house yesterday, there being six entries and six clearances of vessels during the day.

Of the clearances, five were those of bunker ships, and one of a cargo ship, while four bunker ships and two for cargo entered.

## NEBRASKA TARS WILL BANQUET OTHER TARS

Local Hotel Men Asked to Furnish Estimates on Cost of Refreshments.

A committee composed of five enlisted men from the battleship Nebraska, one of the fleet now anchored in Hampton Roads, headed by First-class Machinist Akers of that ship, who formerly were citizens of this city, came ashore here yesterday and visited most of the various hotels and restaurants for the purpose of securing estimates for furnishing refreshments for a banquet and smoker on board their vessel to about four hundred and fifty of the enlisted men of the fleet.

The banquet and smoker will be given on Saturday night and about twenty representatives from each of the naval vessels now anchored in the Roads have been invited to be the guests of the crew of the Nebraska for the evening.

In addition to the banquet an extensive vaudeville performance has been arranged for, and a number of boxing and wrestling bouts between champions from the different vessels composing the fleet will be fought.

It is stated that a banquet which will be attended by all of the Warrent Machinists attached to the entire fleet will be held next week and it is probable that it may be given at one of the hotels in this city.

## AT THE ACADEMY

Nat C. Goodwin and Miss Edna Goodrich will be at the Academy of Music tonight in "The Master Hand." Following is a part of what the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot had to say about the stars and production yesterday:

"Nat Goodwin, who is, and for a long time has been, the best exponent of light comedy on the American stage, has for several seasons past tried out and shelved half a dozen or more plays that were unworthy of him. He seems to have at last struck a happy medium (no pun meant) in 'The Master Hand,' a comedy drama from the pen of Carroll Fleming and Miss Florence Miller, and it was presented at the Academy to a packed house, whose enthusiasm and interest were unflagging. The role of John Bigelow, a Wall Street broker, fits Mr. Goodwin better than anything he has done since 'A Gilded Fool,' and seems to have been written around his personality.

Miss Edna Goodrich, who, since Mr. Goodwin's last appearance here, has become his wife—in fact, in the last six weeks—made her debut as co-star with her husband—was warmly greeted upon her appearance, and was the recipient of a handsome floral star after the third act. She is gifted with rare personal beauty, which is greatly enhanced in this play by several handsome and modish gowns.

"Her acting was pleasing and satisfactory, and showed much improvement, since her first appearance as leading woman. . . .  
"The production is given handsome and tasteful mounting, and will be seen again this evening."

"The Clansman."  
The advance sale of seats for "The Clansman," which appears at the Academy of Music tomorrow night, began yesterday morning and there was a steady demand throughout the day. This play has played to large audiences every time it has been presented here, and interest does not seem to have diminished.

According to the advance man, members of the Ku Klux Klan, habited and armed appear on the stage on horseback this evening for the first time in the history of the play. This feature is said to add materially to the sensationalism of the production.

## MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETS.

Interesting Paper Read by Dr. Clarence Porter Jones.

An interesting paper on "Diseases of the Cheekbone" was read before the weekly meeting of the Newport News Medical Society last night by Dr. Clarence Porter Jones. Dr. Jones introduced a new operation of his own device.

Dr. F. D. Willis and Dr. E. J. Applewhite led the discussion of the paper.

The society decided to invite Dr. J. N. McCormick of Bowling Green, Ky., to deliver an address on public health here in the near future. An invitation already has been extended to Dr. McCormick by the Chamber of Commerce. Dr. McCormick is lecturer for the American Medical Association, and also is secretary of the Kentucky State board of health.

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## IN HOUSE AND SENATE

Clarke of Florida Fails to Have  
Bacon Called Down.

## VOTE WAS ON STRICT PARTY LINES

Speaker Side-stepped a Ruling and  
Left Matter to Members—Senate  
Passed Bill Authorizing President  
to Re-enlist Negro Soldiers.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 23.—Rising to a question of the highest privilege, Mr. Clarke of Florida, in the house of representatives today, offered a resolution providing for an investigation by the committee on judiciary of the letter of Secretary of State Bacon, of February 9, 1900, wherein the secretary deprecated the remarks of Mr. Rainey of Illinois regarding Panama canal affairs, in order to ascertain whether or not it was a violation of the privileges of the house, and to make recommendations accordingly.

Messrs. Payne, New York, and Overstreet, Indiana, sprang to their feet, the former demanding that the resolution be laid on the table, while Mr. Overstreet made the point of order that the resolution was not privileged. In this meaning, Mr. Clarke was appealing for recognition and finally got it. He quoted the constitution in support of his resolution, but said that whether or not it was privileged, the subject should be investigated.

The letter of Secretary of State Bacon, he said, had been scattered broadcast over the world through the press.

"There has been fired in the archives of the government—there to remain as long as the government stands," he said, "an attack on a member of this house for what he may have said in debate on this floor."

Denounced to Foreign Power.  
Mr. Rainey, he charged, had been denounced by the secretary in that latter, as having uttered an untruth in debate, "was denounced by the secretary of state at the direction of the President," and denounced in an official communication to the representative of a quasi-foreign power. It was, he said, one of the gravest breaches of privilege of the house, and an indignity and insult to the house.

Cannon Evades Issue.  
In an elaborate opinion Speaker Cannon said he preferred not to pass on the point of order and sustain the same, but believed it would be better to let the house take such action as it saw proper on a decision overruling the point of order "and whether a question of privilege is involved or even a shadow of a question of privilege will be for the house to determine."

On a motion by Mr. Payne of New York, to lay the resolution on the table, Mr. Clarke succeeded in forcing a roll call.  
By a strict party vote of 186 to 120, the resolution of Mr. Clarke was laid on the table.

The sundry civil appropriation bill was further considered in the house today. A committee amendment was agreed to raising the allotment for repairs of marine hospitals and quarantine stations from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

The coming sailing trip of President Roosevelt to Africa was the subject of a short discussion. Mr. Garrett of Tennessee, wanted to know how much of the expense of that expedition was to be paid by the government.

Mr. Mann of Illinois, volunteered the answer that no public monies were to be used. He said that there was nothing in connection with the

proposed trip that could be criticized.

## Fitzgerald Worked Up.

The fact that there remains an unexpended balance of \$225,000 of the \$350,000 fund appropriated last year for the enforcement of the interstate commerce laws stirred Mr. Fitzgerald of New York to a defense of the proposal by the committee last year to appropriate \$350,000. At that time, said Mr. Fitzgerald, President Roosevelt criticized the proposition as a shame, and said that it would be better to repeal the law. As a result of this criticism by the President Mr. Fitzgerald declared that it was universally believed that the committee on appropriations was not anxious to have the law enforced. He declared that the wisdom of the committee had been proven.

Coming to the defense of the interstate commerce commission which asked for the larger appropriation, Mr. Townsend of Michigan, said the money would be expended after certain plans now under way had been formulated.

## Authority for Reenlistment.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 23.—The President is authorized to appoint a court of inquiry to determine the qualifications for reenlistment of discharged soldiers of the Twenty-fifth regiment, who were accused of shooting up Brownsville, Texas, on the night of August 13-14, 1900. The Al-drich bill for this purpose was passed by a party vote of 56 to 28, except by that Senator Teller voted with the Republicans for the passage of the bill. The senate also passed the fortifications bill with appropriations aggregating \$8,320,111, and the diplomatic and consular bill carrying \$3,646,386 of appropriations.  
At 4:40 o'clock the senate adjourned.

## RICHMOND WELCOMES BATTLESHIP FLEET

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the yard of the governor's mansion and passed right out again.

The Richmond Howitzers, a crack artillery company, lent an air of official dignity to the episode by firing in the meantime a salute of thirteen guns to Admiral Sperry.

An informal reception at the famous old Confederate Club, the "Westmoreland," whose members boast that they once entertained the gifted Thackeray followed. The admiral, as well as the other officers, manifested great interest in the paintings decorating the walls of the club, particularly those of Jefferson Davis, "Extra Billy" Smith and Commodore Maury.

He even informed one of the hosts that his wife's brother had fought in the Confederate army.

## No Care for Weather.

"What do we care for the weather?" asked one officer when a regretful Richmonder undertook to apologize for leaking skies and the water soaked streets. And so the automobile ride about the city was carried out as planned, taking in the old Davis mansion, the far famed capitol of the Confederacy, and the statues of various Confederate heroes.

Then came the luncheon at the Jefferson.

As the officers entered the hotel they were flattered by a very pretty little attention from the women guests, who lined up on either side of the lobby, subjected the globe-trotters to a vigorous handclapping.

The warriors doffed their caps gallantly and remembered the fair ones later in a hearty toast.

## Ovation to Sperry.

Admiral Sperry's speech was listened to with rapt attention, and when he had concluded he received a veritable ovation.

"It affords me profound pleasure," he said, "to be present and to have the first separate welcome since we have returned to our shores. Nothing but the most earnest desire on our part to accept your hospitality could have brought us here today. I haven't read any official mail since arriving on the American side."

Then as a faint smile curled his lips, he continued: "I don't know where the secretary of the navy is and what is more I don't care."

## Voyage No Junket.

The admiral then undertook to impress upon his hearers that the voyage around the world was no junket, that it consisted of something more than entertainment and fetes.

"Do you know," he asked, "that while we have been circling the globe, we have doubled the score of last year's target practice? You have not been told that there has been an immense increase in the efficiency of the fleet, nor that its efficiency has increased 25 per cent. by economy of coal consumption, due to hard and faithful work of the men below decks. This item alone has greatly increased the efficiency in finding the enemy. For when a contest comes a navy must know how to get there, and how to stay there when it gets there."

## Should Show Fleet.

"Now that the world is governed by the people and for the people it is not sufficient that a solitary arbitrary ruler should know on paper the possibilities of a contest and the questions at issue under the constitutional forms which rule the world today; and then in Russia, public sentiment may force a ruler into a war or keep him out of it. And since the people generally are only impressed by what they see, it is necessary if you desire the peace of the world that you show your fleet."

Captain W. Gordon McCabe, one of the Virginians of the Old School of oratory, presided as toastmaster and provided much of the wit and brilliance with which the luncheon abounded.

In the absence of the governor,

Adjutant General Anderson, represented the State.

## Lamb For Great Navy.

Congressman Lamb, of Virginia also was present and made a few remarks in which he said that the Virginians in Congress were convinced of the need of a great navy as the surest guarantee of peace, and that they stood for four battleships each year.

"Had Virginia had a dozen Merrimacs instead of one, fifty years ago, we should have had peace instead of four years of blood and struggle." "We are pleased to come home," said Rear Admiral Wainwright, "we are pleased at the welcome given us by the home people for, chowing to the gallery, now banked with women, we all know in the navy we can shoot straighter and fight better when we are remembered by the girls at home."

After several other brief speeches the visitors hastened to their train for Old Point, which had been held half an hour for them.

"We have been all around the world and have been entertained nearly everywhere," said one officer just before the train pulled out, "but this is the best yet."

## RESOLUTION OF PROTEST.

Central Labor Union Mass Meeting  
Denounces Treatment of Leaders.

Resolutions protesting against the treatment of Gumpers, Morrison and Mitchell in the contempt proceedings before the District of Columbia court, were unanimously adopted at a mass meeting held under the auspices of the Central Labor Union Monday evening.

Several fine addresses were made before the resolutions were presented. Among the speakers were Labor Commissioner James B. Doherty and Mr. James J. Creamer, of Richmond, Hon. E. W. Gaines, of Norfolk, Hon. C. Aylett Ashby and Mr. C. R. Fellows, of this city.

## Baby Girl Dead.

Elsie Maud Bryant, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryant, died Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence, 224 Thirtieth street, by Rev. S. L. Naff. The body will be interred at Greenlawn cemetery.

## SIGNALS OF DISTRESS.

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